



### **Winter Type Conference Exhibitor Letter**

Dear Winter Type Conference Exhibitors,

We are excited to have you join us for the 2024 NSR & ABA Winter Type Conference in Perry, Georgia January 19-20, 2024.To make this event run smoothly, please read a few reminders listed below. All information regarding the Winter Type Conference can be found **HERE.** 

You are receiving this letter as confirmation of your NSR Winter Type Conference entries. Please adhere to the following reminders regarding general show information, arrival at the fairgrounds, penning and health regulations.

DUE TO SPACE LIMITATIONS, PLEASE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:

If you have entries that will not be exhibited, please inform Megan Vanderbur as soon as possible at **meganv@nationalswine.com** or 765-463-3594 ext. 112.

#### **BEFORE LEAVING FOR THE EVENT, PLEASE REMEMBER**

**ALL animals** entering the Georgia National Fairgrounds MUST be listed on an official, interstate health certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) issued by a licensed, accredited veterinarian.

- Loads containing swine that do not meet all health requirements will not be admitted to the Georgia National Fairgrounds.
- This includes animals being delivered that are not exhibited at the event.

Please double check the CVI to make sure all information is accurate and all requirements are met. ALL CVIs (including Georgia exhibitors) MUST BE ISSUED ON OR AFTER DEC. 20, 2023.

- Keep in mind that NSR & ABA Winter Type Conference and NJSA Southeast Regional shows require additional health regulations (TESTING and STATEMENT regulations) compared to traditional winter shows in the state of Georgia.
- It is best to provide your veterinarian with a copy of NSR & ABA Winter Type Conference health requirements and check to ensure each requirement is included on the CVI.
- Exhibitors with CVI's that do not meet all listed health requirements for animals entering fairgrounds will not be admitted to the show.

**ALL animals** MUST be officially identified with a federally approved, permanently numbered ear tag.

- 840 USDA tags are preferred.
- For more information on federally approved ear tags, please visit <u>HERE</u>.

Please contact Megan Vanderbur (<u>meganv@nationalswine.com</u> or 765.463.3594 ext. 112) with the ear notches and registration numbers of your purebred **Winter Type Conference breeding show entries** by Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.

 Purebred entries must be recorded by Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup> or rush fees will be applied (no exceptions).

This information is used by NSR staff to create pen display cards for open show animals.

- Crossbred boar and gilt exhibitors, fill out the Crossbred Breeding Information Form **HERE**. This information must be provided for pen display cards as well as the show and sale catalogs.
- Crossbred boar exhibitors MUST present a documented stress test result at check-in for crossbred boar entries. Stress test results are ONLY required for crossbred boars. For questions

on obtaining a stress test for crossbred boars, please contact NSR DNA Secretary, Whitney Webb at **whitney@nationalswine.com**.

• Crossbred gilts are not required to be stress tested for exhibition and sale.

#### ARRIVAL & PENNING

**Please do not arrive before 7 a.m. on Tuesday, January 16<sup>h</sup>.** Follow the signs that direct trailers to the vet inspection line.

# Prior to unloading, state officials will inspect animals and only original health certificates.

- Please have all animals' ORIGINAL health certificates ready for inspection upon arriving at vet check station.
- Copies of the approved originals will be accepted by the NSR after approval by state officials.
- Approved originals can be copied during check-in.

#### Junior pigs and double entered gilts will be assigned pens upon arrival to the fairgrounds. Pens will be pre-assigned to animals entered in the open show only.

- Please pen entries in your designated pens and be sure to pen two animals in each pen. (Boars will receive individual pens.)
- If your plans have changed and you are not bringing entries, please contact **meganv@nationalswine.com**.
- Due to space limitations, tack pens will not be available.
- Pen dimensions are 6' x 6'.

#### CHECK-IN FOR WINTER TYPE CONFERENCE (OPEN SHOW)

Exhibitors are required to go through check-in during the posted times on show schedule.

• Exhibitors will submit CVIs to NSR staff and open show animals will be assigned a lot number.

Please bring **original CVI** that has been approved by health officials to check-in.

- Copies of the original CVIs can be made in the check-in line.
- Exhibitors will need to submit two photocopies of approved,

original CVI for each open show animal.

Crossbred boar exhibitors must present a documented stress test result during check-in.

- Stress status of crossbred boars will be listed in the show and sale catalogs.
- For questions regarding obtaining a stress test on crossbred boars, please contact **whitney@nationalswine.com**.

Crossbred boars will be weighed on Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at Noon in the lower barn.

• Please go through the check-in line and have your lot number prior to bringing animals to the scales.

If you are exhibiting a crossbred gilt in the junior AND open shows, the declared weight of your crossbred gilt used for the junior show will also be used for the open crossbred gilt show.

 For crossbred gilts ONLY being exhibited in the open show, please submit a provided weight card to show staff during open show check-in.

All open show animals (boars and gilts) must be paint branded with provided paint brand numbers.

- Exhibitors will paint brand the corresponding lot number to each open show animal.
- Please paint dark colored animals (Durocs, Hampshires and dark crossbreds) with provided yellow paint. Please paint light colored animals (Landrace, Yorkshires and light crossbreds) with provided green paint.
- Junior participants exhibiting double-entered gilts (shown in both the junior and open shows) should wait until their gilts have been shown in the junior gilt show before painting.
- ALL open show animals must have legible paint numbers prior to the open show and sale for identification.
  Please return paint brand numbers to table outside open show office, once finished using them.

## Click <u>HERE</u> for the 2024 NSR Winter Type Conference and NJSA Winter National Health Rules and Regulations.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

Please review CVIs with your veterinarian and make sure all above requirements are met well in advance of the show in order to eliminate issues under short notice. Be advised that the regulations for the WTC/Winter National shows are likely different than those of other participating winter jackpot or state sponsored shows.

Please list your veterinarian's cell phone number on the CVI.

In some instances, these rules are in addition to Georgia regulations, but are necessary to sell animals into other states to meet interstate transport and entry requirements for swine.

For the most up-to-date health regulations for the WTC/Winter National, be sure to visit **www.nationalswine.com.** 

#### WINTER TYPE CONFERENCE & WINTER NATIONAL JUDGES

- Open Show Judges
  - Duroc & Hampshire : Todd Beyers, TX.
  - Yorkshire & Landrace: Kent Bennington, IN
  - Crossbred: Jarrett Davis, OK.
- Junior Show Judges
  - NSR Barrows: Kent Bennington, IN
  - NSR Gilts: Seth Keplinger, OH
  - Berkshire & Crossbred Barrows: Jarrett Davis, OK
  - Berkshire & Crossbred Gilts: Todd Beyers, TX
  - Showmanship: Ty Kim, GA & Kyle Pullen, IN

For the most up-to-date information on all NSR shows and events, please visit **www.nationalswine.com**. To view the complete Winter Type Conference schedule, click **HERE**. For all information regarding Winter Type Conference, click **HERE**. If you have any questions, please reach out to NSR Vice President of Genetics and Technology Doug Newcom at **newcom@nationalswine.com** or 765.463.3594. We look forward to seeing you in Georgia!

Sincerely,

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